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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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GENERAL DATA:

Dates: 85 days – January 15, 2021 through June 13, 2021
Thursday through Sunday.
Entries: 48 to 168 hours in advance
Scratch Times: 10:00 a.m. race day
Post Times: 12:45 p.m. daily
Wagering Offered: Win, Place and Show; Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Rolling Super High Five,
Rolling Double, Pick 2, Pick 4, Pick 5 & Pick 6.
Northern California Satellite Facilities:
Fresno, Fresno Club One, Monterey, Pleasanton, Sacramento, San Mateo,
Santa Rosa, Stockton, San Jose, and Vallejo.

BOARD OF STEWARDS

*Dennis Nevin *Will Meyers *Grant Baker
*Richard Lewis, Safety Steward

Report for the Week of Wednesday, January 13, 2021 through Monday, January 18, 2021.

TUESDAY
1/12/21¹

ENTRY DAY

Entries were taken today in the **Golden Gate Fields** Racing Office for Friday January 15, 2021. This track last raced on November 12, 2020. Racing was cancelled on the morning of November 13, 2020 due to COVID-19 related issues. Racing Secretary **Patrick Mackey** and his staff were on hand in the racing office to put together a racing card for January 15. All business is conducted over the telephone as part of COVID-19 precautions.

A solid card of eight (8) races was drawn. Seventy-eight (78) horses are slated to face Starter **Todd Stephens**. **Dennis Nevin** was the duty steward and oversaw all entries.

WEDNESDAY
1/13/21¹

ENTRY DAY

Entries for Saturday January 16, 2021 were taken today in the Racing Office. Ten (10) races will be contested on Saturday. Eighty-eight (88) horses are scheduled to start. Steward **Dennis Nevin** handled business in the Stewards office and oversaw entries in the racing office.

THURSDAY
1/14/21¹

ENTRY DAY

The Racing Office was open today accepting entries for Sunday January 17, 2021. Nine (9) races were carded. Seventy-five (75) horses are slated to start.

Steward **Dennis Nevin** was on duty today. An e-mail was sent out today by Golden Gate Fields management that post time for the first race on Saturday January 16 would be changed from 12:45 p.m. to 12:15 p.m. to better align their signal with Santa Anita.

1/14/21²

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	24	\$9,127.40
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$0.00
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$0.00
Total	24	\$9,127.40

FRIDAY
1/15/21¹

CHANNIS WHITEMAN RULING

Ruling #1

Owner **Channis C. Whiteman** having satisfied his outstanding financial obligation to **Equine Sports Medicine and Surgery Inc.**, his license privileges are restored to good standing and Pacific Racing Association Ruling #9 dated October 30, 2020 is hereby set aside.

The Ruling above was issued by our office after we were informed that Owner **Channis Whiteman** had settled his debt with **Dr. Donald Smith**, Equine Sports Medicine and Surgery, Inc.

1/15/21²

PLACING JUDGE

Morning Outrider **Nancy Barney** will work as a Placing Judge this week.

1/15/21³

CARRYOVERS

Golden Gate Fields Mutual Manager **Doug Gooby** reported the amounts of two (2) carryover pools to the Stewards today. The \$1 Rolling Super High Five pool carryover was \$1,903.11. The carryover for the Pick 6 was \$26,201.34. Both amounts were in the pools when racing was called off on November 13, 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Today is Day 1 of a new Winter/Spring meet.

1/15/21⁴

FOURTH RACE INQUIRY/JOCKEY'S OBJECTION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign in order to view an incident at the start of this six (6) furlong race. A jockey's objection was also lodged by Jockey **William Antongeorgi III**, who rode second place finisher #3 **Theyreminisceoveru** against first place finisher #2 **Raging Waters (K. Frey)** for alleged interference at the start.

Film review shows #2 **Raging Waters** break out and make contact with #3 **Theyreminisceoveru**. The Stewards reviewed all camera angles of the incident. We also received a patrol judge report and spoke to both jockeys involved. The Stewards, in a unanimous decision allowed for the original placings to stand. No change. Jockey **Kyle Frey** was ordered to film reviews with the Stewards.

1/15/21⁵

TIMING ISSUES

Following today's first and second race no running time appeared on the infield tote-board Clocker **Jelina Pike** was contacted and fractional and final times were eventually recorded.

1/15/21⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1ST Race Ownership: #7 **Koko's Mom** should read **William A. Burke Equine LLC & Clark E. Parker**

3RD Race Ownership: #2 **Doghouse** should read **Samuel Calvario**

6TH Race: #7 **Kaline** (Tr. **B. McLean**) claimed, **J. Wong**, Trainer

Refund Total: 398.70

7TH Race Declarations: #1 **Edinburgh Express** (Tr. **S. Specht**) Unsound, **Casille Batten DVM**
#5 **They're Great** (Tr. **O.J. Jauregui**) Reared at gate, **Casille Batten DVM**

Refund Total: \$25,504.78

8TH Race Declarations: #10 **On The Wings Of** (Tr. **A. Torres**) Re-enter, Stewards

1/15/21⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	38	\$20,247.60
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,062,986.74
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$16,550.00
Total	38	\$1,099,784.34

SATURDAY

1/16/21¹

POST TIME

As stated in yesterday's Stewards Minutes, post time has changed to 12:15p.m. for today's ten (10) race card. This change from 12:45 a.m. is to better align the Golden Gate Fields signal with Santa Anita.

1/16/21²

EARLY MEET PROBLEMS (REF: 1/15/21⁵)

Today is the second day of our two (2) month racing hiatus and it has come with some glitches.

Problem #1 - As was the case yesterday there was difficulty with the timing of several races. Fractional times did not appear on TV monitors during the running of several races. Golden Gate Fields Clocker **Jelina Pike** was contacted by the Stewards after races were declared official. She provided us with fractional and final times which were eventually disseminated to the public and Equibase chart caller **Steve Reed** who is responsible for information that is listed in the Daily Racing Form.

Gmax is the timing company listed at Golden Gate Fields. Association Employee **Jerry Stone** from that company was contacted by the Stewards and we were told that he would address the issue.

Problem #2 – Our Placing Judges notified us that the 'Stop Betting' signal was not activated on their placing console. A Steward actually presses the 'Stop Betting' button in the Judges' stand. The placing judges located nearby notified us right away the wagering had not stopped. One (1) of the Stewards is on a telephone with an Am Tote technician working at Santa Anita Park, who then stopped betting mechanically.

The Stewards requested a letter of explanation from Am Tote regarding this issue. Their representative **Bob Stone** promptly responded to our request and a letter he drafted is attached to these minutes.

1/16/21³

KYLE FREY FILM REVIEW (REF: 1/15/21⁴)

Jockey **Kyle Frey** appeared in the Stewards Office to review his ride aboard #2 **Raging Waters** who finished first in the fourth race yesterday January 15. In this six (6) furlong event Jockey **Frey** survived a Stewards claim of foul and a jockey's objection lodged by Jockey **William Antongeorgi III** who was aboard second place finisher #3 **Thereminisceoveru**.

There was contact out of the gate in this race as #2 **Raging Waters** broke out. The Stewards unanimously ruled that it was the actions of his mount and not his own that led to early race contact. Therefore, no penalty was warranted.

1/16/21⁴

NINTH RACE INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign after viewing an incident between second place finisher #7 **Dr Wysong (Brayan Pena)** and fifth place finisher #1 **Perfect Stories (Frank Alvarado)** for alleged interference inside the 3/16-mile marker. We focused on the actions of #7 **Dr Wysong** who shifted out into the path of #1 **Perfect Stories** forcing that filly's jockey **Frank Alvarado** to check his mount sharply.

The Stewards spoke to both jockeys involved, reviewed all camera replay angles, and received a Patrol Judge report. In a unanimous decision #7 **Dr Wysong** was disqualified and placed fifth. Jockey **Bryan Pena** was ordered to film review with the Stewards.

Original Order of Finish: 5-7-6-2-1-9-3-8-4

Official Order of Finish: 5-6-2-1-7-9-3-8-4

1/16/21⁵

DECLARATIONS CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1ST Race: #3 **Speed Saver** (Tr. **S. Calvario**) Claimed, **Reid France**, Trainer

2ND Race Declarations: #1 **Ardrea** (Tr. **D. Offield**) Sick, **Casille Batten DVM**

#2 **Vegas Beauty** (Tr. **S. Specht**) Sick, **Casille Batten DVM**

Refund Total: \$454.53

3RD Race: #6 **Sequentially** (Tr. **J.F. Martin**) Claimed, **A. Mathis**, Trainer

4TH Race: Jockey Change #4 **Shawnee Pass** - **B. Pena** for **A. Gomez**, Racing Office Error

5TH Race Declaration: #3 **Unusual Secret** (Tr. **C. DeLima**) Stewards, Full Field

Refund: \$523.21

7TH Race Declaration: #7 **Phantom Indian** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Sick, **Casille Batten DVM**

Refund: \$670.58

9TH Race Declaration: #10 **Mischievous Curlin** (Tr. **F. Taylor**) Injured, **Casille Batten DVM**

Refund: \$208.88

1/16/21⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	65	\$53,293.40
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,377,906.57
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$31,775.34
Total	65	\$1,462,975.31

SUNDAY

1/17/21¹

BRAYAN PENA FILM REVIEW (REF 4/16/21⁴)

Jockey **Brayan Pena** appeared in the Stewards office to review his ride in yesterday's (January 16) ninth race. Jockey **Pena** was aboard original second place finisher #7 **Dr Wysong** who was disqualified and placed fifth for stretch interference.

Film review this morning shows #7 **Dr Wysong** shift outward inside the 3/16 marker. This action forced Jockey **Frank Alvarado**, aboard original fifth place finisher #1 **Perfect Stories**, to steady his mount off the heels of #7 **Dr Wysong**. Jockey **Pena** was candid this morning and told us he wasn't aware of the location of #7 **Dr Wysong**. The Stewards unanimously determined that this was a careless ride, and we issued the following ruling.

Ruling #2

Jockey **Brayan Pena** who rode **Dr Wysong** in the ninth race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, January 16, 2021 is suspended three (3) racing days January 24, 28 & 29, 2021 for altering course without sufficient clearance, causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from second to fifth; A violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

1/17/21²

FRANK ALVARADO FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Frank Alvarado** appeared in our office to review his ride aboard #5 **Sequentially**, who finished third in yesterday's (January 16) third race. This race which was contested at 5 1/2

furlongs. Film review this morning shows Jockey **Alvarado** use his riding crop at least a dozen times between the 5/16TH marker and the finish. The Stewards found no mitigating circumstances regarding Jockey **Alvarado's** use of the crop in this race. In a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

Ruling #3

Jockey **Frank Alvarado** who rode **Sequentially** in the third race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, January 16, 2021 is suspended three (3) racing days January 24, 28 & 29, 2021 for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-more than six (6) times in race).

1/17/21³

GENERAL MANAGER MEETING (REF 1/16/21³)

Golden Gate Fields General Manager **David Duggan** appeared in the Stewards to discuss timing issues we have had in the first two (2) days since we have returned from our two (2) months break in racing. The Stewards and **Mr. Duggan** were concerned about getting accurate running times to the public, not only during the running of the race, but also after the race. Often times after a racetrack has been closed the technology at that track needs to be checked after lying dormant. Gmax for a period of time Systems is the company in charge of the timing here at this meet. We have contacted **Jerry Stone** from that organization, and he has been apprised of our concerns.

1/17/21⁴

REINA E. GONZALEZ COMPLAINT (CASE #20GG0118)

Trainer **Reina Gonzalez** appeared in our office for an informal hearing this morning. An eighteen (18) page complaint was filed in this case for alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (c) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances and rule # 1890 (Possession of Contraband) (a) & (b), (Possession of Contraband). California Horse Racing Board Investigator **Jennifer Tolman** also appeared today and presented her seventeen (17) page complaint packet. The cover page reads as follows.

*While conducting a barn inspection at Trainer **Reina E. Gonzalez'** barn, injectable medications were located inside. Located hidden inside a rubber glove stuffed in a jar, a vile of 5% injectable Furosemide was found without a prescription label. Per Trainer **Gonzalez**, she was unaware of that this medication was in her barn and she did not know where it came from.*

Ms. Gonzalez and **Ms. Tolman** both testified this morning decision to follow.

1/17/21⁵

STOP BETTING PROBLEM (REF: 1/16/21²)

An Am Tote technician replaced the placing console today prior to the races. This action appears to have fixed the issues we had here Friday January 15 when we were having problems locking the wagering system here ourselves at Golden Gate Fields and having to contact the tote department at Santa Anita telephonically for their assistance.

1/17/21⁶

GOOD RACING

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of Stewards inquires and/or jockey's objections.

1/17/21⁷

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3RD Race: #2 **Elusive Love** (Tr. **V. Trujillo**) Claimed, **J. Steiner**, Trainer

3RD Race: Ownership Change #4 **Rock This Bar** should read **Jim Grigsby**

4TH Race Declaration: #5 **Galwalksintoabar** (Tr. **F. Taylor**) Refused Post Parade-Stewards Refund: \$21,106.46

7TH Race: Ownership Change #7 **Stormin Galileo** should read **Jerry Edwards**

7TH Race Declaration: #8 **Habanero Kid** (Tr. **E. Moger**) Sick, **Casille Batten DVM**

Refund: \$372.16

8TH Race Declaration: #6 **Emerald Magic** should read **Nin Auyeung** or **Brian Earley**

1/17/21⁸**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

Off Track	46	\$2,459.90
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,445,152.87
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$28,104.02
Total	46	\$1,525,44.79

MONDAY

1/18/21¹**GONZALEZ RULING (REF: 1/17/21⁴)****Ruling #4**

Trainer **Reina E. Gonzalez** is hereby fined the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1890 (Possession of Contraband-Lasix Bottle) on September 20, 2020 at Golden Gate Fields.

The ruling above was issued in what was a unanimous decision. Trainer **Gonzalez** was informed of the penalty over the telephone.

1/18/21²**GOOD RACING**

Today's nine (9) race **Martin Luther King Jr.** day card went well as it was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

1/18/21³**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

2ND Race: #2 **Coastal Starlite** (Tr. **V. Trujillo**) Claimed, **J. Wong**, trainer

4TH Race: #3 **Amba** (Tr. **G. Haley**) #3 **Amba**, Sick, **Forrest Franklin D.V.M.**

Refund: \$291.20

4TH Race Wagering: Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five

5TH Race: #5 **Klondike Creek** (Tr. **J. Josephson**) Claimed, **B. Wright**, trainer

#6 **Soberano** (Fr) (Tr. **A. Mathis**) Claimed, **J. Wong**, trainer

1/18/21⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

Off Track	40	\$32,510.60
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,032,576.96
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$22,883.76
Total	40	\$1,088,013.76

SUMMARY

	Fri 1/15	Sat 1/16	Sun 1/17	Mon 1/18	Week 1	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	1	0	3	3
Claims	1	2	1	3	7	7
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	1	0	0	0	1	1
Refunds	8	10	4	3	25	25
Rulings	1	0	2	1	4	4
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
15-Jan.	7	1	Edinburgh Express	S. Specht	Unsound	Dr. Batten	\$25,504.78
16-Jan.	2	1	Ardtrea	D. Offield	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$454.53
16-Jan.	2	2	Vegas Beauty	S. Specht	Sick	Dr. Batten	See Above
16-Jan.	7	7	Phantom Indian	I. Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$670.58
16-Jan.	9	10	Mischievous Curlin	F. Taylor	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$208.88
17-Jan.	7	8	Habanero Kid	E. Moger	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$372.16
18-Jan.	4	3	Amba	G. Haley	Sick	Dr. Franklin	\$291.20

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Baker, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward